

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested in view of the foregoing amendments and following remarks.

A minor typographical error has been corrected on page 1 of the specification.

Claim 15 has been cancelled without prejudice and claim 16 has been amended so as to limit the diseases to cataract or retinal ischemic disorder. Support is found in the specification at page 20, line 6 and page 59, line 18.

It is respectfully submitted that the rejection of claims 15 and 16 under 35 USC 112, first paragraph, as lacking enablement has been overcome by the foregoing amendments.

One skilled in the art would be capable of practicing the claimed method as amended without undue experimentation based upon the teachings of the specification and the knowledge in the art. Experimental Example No. 2 on page 57 and Experimental Example No. 4 on page 59 demonstrate the enablement of the claimed method as amended.

Reconsideration and withdrawal of this ground of rejection is solicited.

The claims have also been amended as suggested by the Examiner on pages 7-9 of the Action.

In view of foregoing, it is believed that each ground of rejection set forth in the Official Action has been overcome, and that the application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, such allowance is solicited.

Request for Acceptance of Drawings

Item 10 on page 1 of the last Action indicates that the drawings filed September 28, 2004 have been received. However, there is no indication whether they have been accepted or objected to. Clarification is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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